

TAB

~~SECRET~~

65-0924-68

DTK-2618

27 December 1968

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Training

THROUGH : Chief, Operations School

SUBJECT : Course Report - Counterintelligence Familiarization (H45)  
Course No. 2-69, 9 - 20 December 1968

REFERENCE : Course Report CI Fam 1-69, 7 - 18 October 1968

1. Administrative Data:

The Counterintelligence Familiarization course was conducted in Room 701, 1000 Glebe Road, from 9 through 20 December 1968. Nineteen students were enrolled and completed the course.

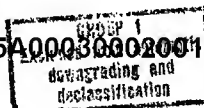
2. Class Profile:

a. Though the students ranged in grade from GS-06 through GS-14, an average grade level somewhat higher than usual, their composite operational experience was about at the same level of previous classes. The course structure and individual lectures appear to be well matched with student needs and capabilities; advanced enough to be challenging, but still sufficiently in the introductory-orientation range to relate to the classes' limited experience. Seven students with Type A contracts were enrolled by [REDACTED] five had no previous overseas experience with the Agency. One student from the Office of Communications and one or more students from various CS area divisions, RID and the Office of Security made up the balance of the class.

25X1A8a

b. One student, from the Office of Communications, was enrolled with the understanding that he would be excused from the last two days of the course, in order to accommodate prior overseas travel arrangements. The five newly assigned type A contract employees would not normally have been accepted for the course, because of some duplication of training with their South Vietnam Operations course, because of their relative operational inexperience, and also because of security considerations. However, all had been specially called to Washington for this

~~SECRET~~



SECRET

Approved For Release 2001/04/09 : CIA-RDP78-05795A000300020014-7

course when a procedural fault in course registration was discovered, and they consequently were enrolled on the basis of concurrences from the DDP Training Officer and CI Staff/TRCO.

c. A student from the CI Fam Course No. 4-68, who missed the last two days of that course presentation, requested and was granted permission to audit the last two days of this course. Though several students missed some lectures as a result of the current flu epidemic, none missed more than one full day of the course; two guest lecturers were forced to cancel their presentations because of illness.

d. A class roster is appended as Attachment A.

25X1A

3. Course Content and Presentation:



Approved For Release 2001/04/09 : CIA-RDP78-05795A000300020014-7

SECRET

SECRET

c. The presentation by another new speaker to the course from CI/Special Investigations can be shortened to a more effective fifty-minute presentation, and the lecture on the coordination and production of NIS Sect. 56 still needs a reorientation as previously discussed.

d. At times the course seemed to drag a bit; there was less class animation, less participation in discussions and fewer questions. While some students in the class made effective use of reading periods, several students did not--probably a reflection of their inability to relate the material to previous experience or future assignment needs. This was particularly true of those students not enrolled from the CS area divisions. Then too, the problems of flu, other illness and holiday plans and anticipation, undoubtedly had a causative effect.

e. A copy of the course schedule is enclosed as Attachment B.

#### 4. Student Critiques:

a. Somewhat surprisingly, though several students rated the course as being of only moderate value to their current or next assignment, the great majority felt that the course achieved its stated objectives and was of great interest. Almost all agreed that the course was sufficiently comprehensive, that there was a good inter-relationship of the various topics and proper balance between lecture, discussion and reading periods. They felt that the reading materials were pertinent and well selected to complement the lectures, and that there were sufficient reading periods. Almost without exception, they wrote and commented orally that the course lived up to its sound reputation and that they would recommend it to others. (The communications officer observed that he would not recommend the course as a regular adjunct to communications training since ... "the chances are almost nil that we would ever be in such an operational position"; he did, however, find the course of useful background interest in its insights to operations and personnel problems and procedures.) Course critiques, held in the files of OTR/OS/HTB, are available upon request.

#### 5. Chief Instructor Comment and Suggestions:

a. Overall, the course was highly rated in the student written critiques and oral comments, though perhaps not as enthusiastically nor as unanimously, as before. There were few substantive suggestions

SECRET

and fewer critical comments--and those were complaints of uncomfortable chairs and the occasional absence of breaks at fifty minute intervals. There was substantial interest in the small collection of selected, unclassified books pertaining to a variety of intelligence and counterintelligence topics. There was a similar interest in classified Counterintelligence Studies, special reports and case histories, reflecting current developments which were available for supplementary reading. Student interest, as usual, reached a high point in the rudimentary CI analysis and case history presentations by class members.

b. The course continues to accomplish its stated objectives, and a third trial presentation in the current two week format is recommended, as prerequisite to further course length evaluations.



25X1A9a

Chief Instructor

Attachments (w/orig only)

- A. Student Roster
- B. Course Schedule

Distribution:

Orig - DTR

- 1 - DDP/TRO
- 1 - CI/
- 1 - C/OS/TR
- 1 - HT/OS/TR
- 1 - Chrono

25X1A